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Senate Resolution 1091

By: Senators Seabaugh of the 28th, Cagle of the 49th, Pearson of the 51st, Rogers of the 21st, Wiles of the 37th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Creating the Senate Study Committee on Limited Taxation; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, many taxpayers have expressed strong sentiment for reducing their tax burden;
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- 4 WHEREAS, the state government should operate efficiently and fiscally responsibly and
- 5 strive to limit the tax burden of the citizens of Georgia; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the state should operate so as to expend revenue only as absolutely necessary;
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- 8 WHEREAS, providing for meaningful limits on state government taxing and spending
- 9 powers is an effective method for accomplishing that reduction; and
- 10 WHEREAS, other growing states have already implemented reductions by providing that
- 11 annual growth in state expenditures cannot exceed a percentage that reflects ordinary
- 12 citizens' personal income and providing that excess revenues are refunded for taxpayers.
- 13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that there is created the Senate
- 14 Committee on Limited Taxation to be composed of five members of the Senate to be
- 15 appointed by the Senate Committee on Assignments. The Senate Committee on Assignments
- shall designate a member of the committee as chairperson of the committee. The chairperson
- shall call all meetings of the committee.
- 18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the conditions,
- 19 needs, issues, advantages, and impact on the state budget mentioned above or related thereto
- 20 and recommend any action or legislation which the committee deems necessary or
- 21 appropriate. The committee may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as

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1 it may deem necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, 2 perform its duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The members of the committee shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8 3 4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received by any member of the committee for more than five days unless 5 6 additional days are authorized. The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this 7 resolution shall come from the funds appropriated to the Senate. In the event the committee 8 makes a report of its findings and recommendations, with suggestions for proposed 9 legislation, if any, such report shall be made on or before December 1, 2006. The committee 10 shall stand abolished on December 1, 2006.